IN ORDER TO INSTALL A SEWER CONNECTION -

First, has Sewer been installed on your street? Your property must have access to the town sewer in order to take out application to connect. Call the Sewer Department to determine if you are eligible or you can check the Sewer Map on the Policies & Procedures page of the Sewer website http://www.caigisonline.com/LunenburgMA/. Enter your address in the search field, click on Find Address, click on your parcel and the map will then zoom in to your property. Click on Map Layers and select Sewer Service Area Map. If your parcel is in brown, sewer is available to you and you can submit an application for a permit to connect. (If it is green, it is in the Sewer Service Area slated for future expansion of the sewer system. If the parcel is in the white area, it is not an area of Town expected to be serviced by sewer any time in the near future, based on the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan done in 2010.)

Next, you must take out an application for permit to connect to SEWER. http://www.lunenburgma.gov/filestorage/204/236/Permit_application_to_connect_to_sewer.pdf

Some things to consider before applying for a permit:

- Are your taxes paid up with the Collector's office? No permits can be issued from any Town Department if taxes (real estate or excise) are outstanding.
- Is it for Residential or Commercial hookup?
 - 1. Residential?
 - a. How many bedrooms? Cost for a permit is \$2250.00 per dwelling for up to 3 bedrooms, then \$550/bedroom above 3. For multi-family homes, each unit would be considered a dwelling for the purposes of determining the connection fee.
 - 2. Commercial?
 - a. Who supplies water to the facility? The sewer department will have to verify water usage to determine the cost for a permit for a commercial facility.
 - b. All commercial hookups will require an engineered Clearance Plan to be submitted for approval.
 - 3. I/I fee -- In addition, for residential properties, there is a charge of \$220 per bedroom for the remediation of Inflow & Infiltration. For commercial properties or new construction, a \$2/gal charge will be assessed using the sewer design flow numbers of the Title V code.

Fill out the Application for Permit to Connect - you can obtain these from clicking the link above, or the DPW Building (520 Chase Rd.). They are also available on the website under Policies & Procedures.

The contractor you plan to use to install sewer must fill out the proposed connection sketch and be a licensed drain layer with the Town of Lunenburg each year. The application requires the property owner's signature. http://www.lunenburgma.gov/filestorage/204/236/DRAIN LAYERS TO DATE - WEB LIST 090913.pdf

The Drain Layer's license application is available on the website or the Sewer Department office. http://www.lunenburgma.gov/filestorage/204/236/drain layers license application initial 0310.pdf.

The application must be filed with the \$100 fee and a current certificate of insurance with the required insurance coverages. The insurance company can fax it to 978-582-4152, attn: Sewer. In order to receive the Drain Layers License, the contractor cannot have outstanding As-Builts from prior installations due to the Sewer Dept. For the initial year, Drain Layers must complete the notarized initial application. For subsequent years, only the renewal application is required, not requiring notary, as long as the renewal is requested in consecutive years. If one year is skipped, a new 'initial' application will be required.

If this is new construction, the Lunenburg Building Inspector must also sign off on the application, confirming that the lot is a buildable lot.

A Trench Permit and fee will be required as well- this is handled through the DPW. They can be reached at 978-582-4160.

Once an acceptable Application is received, along with the appropriate connection fee, and the check clears, the Application to Connect will be signed off by the DPW Director, Jack Rodriguenz.

The Sewer Department will then call you to let you know that the permit is approved for you to come by and pick up. The Board of Health System Abandonment form should be picked up as well and filled out at the time that the private septic system is decommissioned. We ask that the contractor call the DPW office 582-4160 to advise of the expected connection date at least 2 days in advance, in order that the connection can be inspected and approved.

Feel free to view the Sewer Rules & Regulations also posted in the Policies & Procedures section of the website.